MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL TRANSMITTAL LETTER

December 7, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: CUSTODIANS OF MEDICAID SERVICES MANUALS

FROM: JOHN A. LIVERATTI, CHIEF, COMPLIANCE

SUBJECT: MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL CHANGE

<u>MATERIAL TRANSMITTED</u> <u>MATERIAL SUPERSEDED</u>

MTL 37/04 MTL 19/03 & 22/04

CHAPTER 300-RADIOLOGY SERVICES CHAPTER 300-RADIOLOGY SERVICES

303.7 SLEEP STUDIES,

Change language to 2 services in a 12

POLYSOMNOGRAPHY, MSLT month period without prior authorization.

If this is exceeded then prior authorization is

required from the QIO vendor.

303.7D AUTHORIZATION PROCESS Change language from "submit the following

documentation with the prior authorization request" to, "submit the following documentation when prior

authorization is required".

BACKGROUND AND EXPLANATION

Historically prior authorization was needed for out patient sleep studies. There was considerable confusion surrounding the professional and technical aspect of the prior authorization.

Due to this and considering most prior authorizations for sleep studies were approved, we are changing the policy to two services in twelve months without prior authorization. Services exceeding this limitation will need prior authorization.

Changes are effective upon approval of public hearing. The attached material replaces sections in Chapter 300 of the MSM.